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1. PRC MET APRIL 11 TO DISCUSS PRM/NSC-21 AND MADE FOL-
LOWING DECISIONS CONCERNING COUNTRIES IN THE AREA:

A. ETHIOPIA: IT WAS AGREED THAT WE SHOULD NOT PULL OUT
OF ETHIOPIA ENTIRELY BECAUSE WE WISH TO BE IN A POSITION

TO REASSERT OURSELVES THERE IF A FRIENDLY AND MORE HUMANE GOVERNMENT COMES TO POWER. WE WILL ATTEMPT TO MAINTAIN AT PRESENT LEVELS OUR AID AND USIS PROGRAMS. NON-LETHAL MILITARY EQUIPMENT CURRENTLY IN THE PIPELINE WILL BE DELIVERED AND MILITARY TRAINING OF ETHIOPIANS IN THE U.S. WILL CONTINUE. ALL OTHER MILITARY AID WILL BE SUBJECT TO DELAYING ACTIONS. WE WILL NOT, HOWEVER, TELL THE EPMG THAT WE ARE DELAYING; WE WILL SIMPLY WAIT AND SEE.

B. SOMALIA: WE ARE INSTRUCTING AMBASSADOR LOUGHRAN WHEN HE RETURNS SHORTLY TO MOGADISCIO TO HAVE A FRANK TALK WITH PRESIDENT SIAD AND SEE WHAT POSSIBILITIES THERE MAY BE FOR OUR FUTURE RELATIONSHIP. WE WILL ALSO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF RE-ESTABLISHING OUR AID PROGRAM FOR SOMALIA.

IN GENERAL,
WE SHOULD PROCEED WITH CAUTION IN SOMALIA. WE SHOULD NOT PROCEED HASTILY TO REQUEST CLEARANCE FOR A U.S. NAVAL SHIP VISIT TO MOGADISCIO.

C. KENYA: WE WILL OFFER TO INCREASE ECONOMIC AID FOR THE SOMALI-INHABITED NORTHEAST PROVINCE AND BE WILLING TO TALK ABOUT FURTHER MILITARY ASSISTANCE. WE SHOULD PLEDGE OUR SUPPORT TO A SUCCESSOR GOVERNMENT AFTER KENYATTA.

D. SUDAN: WE WILL MOVE TO MAKE OUR RELATIONSHIP CLOSER AND WARMER. IN ADDITION TO THE GOS REQUEST FOR SIX
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C-130'S, WE WILL BE RESPONSIVE TO OTHER SUDANESE NEEDS FOR MILITARY EQUIPMENT. WE SHALL ALSO CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY OF INCREASING U.S. NAVAL SHIP VISITS TO PORT SUDAN.

2. GIVEN THE RAPIDLY MOVING NATURE OF THE SITUATION, IT WAS DECIDED THAT A SUBSEQUENT PRC MEETING SHOULD BE HELD, PERHAPS IN SIX WEEKS.

3. FOR JIDDA: AMBASSADOR LOUGHRAN NOW HOPES TO RETURN TO MOGADISCIO ON APRIL 21. IT WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL IF YOU WERE ABLE TO CONSULT WITH SAG ON SOMALIA SO THAT AMBASSADOR LOUGHRAN AND THE DEPARTMENT COULD CONSIDER SAG'S LATEST VIEWS PRIOR TO THE MEETING WITH SIAD. IN ADDITION TO PREVIOUS GUIDANCE, (STATE 78514) YOU MAY IN ADDITION INFORM THE SAG THAT OUR MILITARY RELATIONSHIP WITH ETHIOPIA IS ON A DOWNWARD TREND AS EXEMPLIFIED BY THE FACT THAT WE ARE REDUCING THE SIZE OF OUR MAAG FROM 46 TO 21. WE ALSO WILL SHORTLY BE IMPLEMENTING OUR

PLAN TO CLOSE KAGNEW STATION. IN ACCORDANCE
WITH LAST SENTENCE PARA 1B ABOVE, YOU SHOULD REFRAIN FROM
DISCUSSING POSSIBLE SHIP VISIT TO MOGADISCIO.

4. FOR OTHER POSTS: DEPARTMENT DOES NOT BELIEVE IT WOULD
BE ADVISABLE TO INFORM YOUR HOST GOVERNMENTS OF PRC DE-
CISIONS AT THIS TIME.
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